

RESOURCE ALLOCATION SUB (POLICY AND RESOURCES) COMMITTEE

Thursday, 13 December 2018

Minutes of the meeting of the Resource Allocation Sub (Policy and Resources) Committee held at Committee Rooms, 2nd Floor, West Wing, Guildhall on Thursday, 13 December 2018 at 12.00 pm

Present

Members:

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| Deputy Catherine McGuinness (Chairman) | Christopher Hayward |
| Jeremy Mayhew (Deputy Chairman) | Deputy Edward Lord |
| Sir Mark Boleat | Deputy Dr Giles Shilson |
| Deputy Keith Bottomley | Sir Michael Snyder |
| Deputy Jamie Ingham Clark | Deputy John Tomlinson |
| Marianne Fredericks | |

In Attendance

Officers:

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| John Barradell | - Town Clerk and Chief Executive |
| Peter Lisley | - Assistant Town Clerk & Culture Mile Director |
| Emma Cunnington | - Town Clerk's Department |
| Gregory Moore | - Town Clerk's Department |
| Peter Kane | - Chamberlain |
| Caroline Al-Beyerty | - Deputy Chamberlain |
| Paul Wilkinson | - City Surveyor |
| Peter Young | - City Surveyor's Department |
| Carolyn Dwyer | - Director of the Built Environment |
| Ena Harrop | - Headmistress, City of London School for Girls |
| Bob Roberts | - Director of Communications |
| Damian Nussbaum | - Director of Economic Development |
| Simon Cribbens | - Department of Community & Children's Services |
| Nigel Lefton | - Remembrancer's Department |
| David Drane | - City of London Police |
| Peter O'Doherty | - City of London Police |

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Henry Colthurst, Simon Duckworth and Deputy Joyce Nash.

2. MEMBERS DECLARATIONS UNDER THE CODE OF CONDUCT IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were none.

3. **MINUTES**

The public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 4 October 2018 were approved as a correct record.

4. **MENTAL HEALTH CENTRE**

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Director of Community and Children's Services seeking approval for the drawdown of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds for a mental health centre for those working and living in the Square Mile.

It was clarified that, since the drafting of the report, discussions with the City Surveyor had identified that an additional sum of approximately £70,000 of CIL monies might be required beyond the £451,000 being requested here. Members were therefore asked to approve the £451,000 whilst clarity was obtained in relation to the additional sum, delegating authority to the Town Clerk in conjunction with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman to grant approval to this latter figure once confirmed.

A Member suggested that the report could perhaps have contained more information on the mental health centre itself, although it was noted that this was included within the Project Funding report at item 5. Members also spoke to support the City Corporation's increased emphasis on mental health support across the board.

RESOLVED: That:-

1. The mental health centre be allocated funding to an amount up to £451,000 from a drawdown from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL); and
2. Authority be delegated to the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Deputy Chairman, to consider an additional funding request of c.£70,000.

5. **PROJECT FUNDING UPDATE**

The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Chamberlain requesting the allocation of central funding to allow two projects (City Mental Health Centre and City Wayfinding Signage) to be progressed.

Members discussed the current funding pressures being experienced by Transport for London (TfL), largely associated with the delays to the opening of the Elizabeth Line. It was suggested that these pressures might have an impact on forthcoming public realm projects and TfL's ability to contribute towards them.

RESOLVED: That:-

1. The following funds to allow two projects to progress be approved:
 - a. Up to £1.444k from the On-Street Parking Reserve towards the cost of installing new City wayfinding signage; and
 - b. Up to £455k from the social and community CIL pot to fund adaptation and renovation costs to provide a new City Mental Health Centre.

2. The potential shortfall in the 2019/20 provisions for new schemes due to the deferral of unfunded projects from the current year be noted. It be noted that the situation would be kept under review and further reported when proposals have been more firmly quantified.
3. It be noted that there are emerging unfunded projects amounting to significant sums beyond the scope of the provisions for new schemes, and that funding would be considered as part of the medium-term financial planning process to be reported in January.

6. ENHANCING SPORT ENGAGEMENT

Members considered a report of the Director of Communications concerning a strategy on sports engagement.

Members were advised that the Public Relations and Economic Development Sub Committee had considered this paper the previous day and, whilst they had agreed with the recommendations, had also asked the Town Clerk to review where the role should sit at officer level and whether extra funding might be needed for activation of the strategy.

RESOLVED: That an uplift to the Town Clerk’s annual budget of £80k to fund the additional Corporate Affairs Officer be approved.

7. QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

There were no questions.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

There were no urgent items of business.

9. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED – That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act.

| <u>Item No.</u> | <u>Paragraph No.</u> |
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| 10-12 | 3 |
| 13 | <i>Item withdrawn</i> |
| 14-15 | 3 |
| 18 | 2 |
| 19-21 | 1, 2, 3 |

10. NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

The non-public minutes of the Sub-Committee meeting held on 4 October 2018 were approved as a correct record.

11. **GUILDHALL ADMINISTRATION BUDGET REPORT - REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING 2019/20 AND ONWARDS**
The Sub-Committee considered and approved a report of the City Surveyor outlining a request for additional funding in relation to the administration of the Guildhall Complex.
12. **REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING OF A FIRE SAFETY COMPLIANCE OFFICER POST**
The Sub-Committee considered and approved a report of the City Surveyor requesting additional funding for a Fire Safety Compliance Officer post.
13. **GRESHAM COLLEGE FUNDING**
This item was withdrawn.
14. **GATEWAY 1/2/3/4 - CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL FOR GIRLS EXPANSION PROJECT**
The Sub-Committee considered and approved a report of the Headmistress of the City of London School for Girls seeking approval for a project to expand the School.
15. **GATEWAY 6 - ACTION AND KNOW FRAUD CENTRE - CONTRACT**
The Sub-Committee considered a report of the Commissioner of the City of London Police regarding the Action and Know Fraud Centre.
16. **QUESTIONS ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE WORK OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE**
There was one question regarding the delay in delivery of the Elizabeth Line (Crossrail).
17. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT AND WHICH THE SUB-COMMITTEE AGREE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WHILST THE PUBLIC ARE EXCLUDED**
There were no urgent items of business.
18. **STRENGTHENING WORK ON GLOBAL COMPETITIVENESS**
The Sub-Committee considered and approved a report of the Director of Economic Development regarding the strengthening of work on global competitiveness.
19. **APPROVAL AND FUNDING OF MARKET FORCE SUPPLEMENTS - CITY SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT**
The Sub-Committee considered and approved a report of the City Surveyor regarding the award of Market Force Supplements in the City Surveyor's Department.
20. **APPROVAL AND FUNDING OF MARKET FORCE SUPPLEMENTS - CITY SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT**
The Sub-Committee considered and approved a further report of the City Surveyor regarding the award of Market Forces Supplements within the City Surveyor's Department.

The meeting ended at 12.45 pm

Chairman

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